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Dear Gen. Smith:

Permit me to present to you a few suggestions on the present critical world situation. Enclosed please find my article "Fear of Overthrow Seen as Real Curb on Stalin," printed in June 8th issue of the N.Y. World-Telegram & Sun. In it I point out that the real, primary and ever-present fear of Stalin is that the Russian soldiers, in case of their own participation in a war, once they stepped outside the boundaries of the Stalin jail, called Soviet Socialist Republic, would begin to desert and run in all directions except the one leading back to the communist paradise.

During World War II the only thing that saved Stalin and his stooges from utter defeat was the barbarity and stupidity of Hitler. As that factor has been eliminated, Stalin knows that nothing could save him in any aggressive move, from destruction and death.

I have made a particular study of these facts, conversing with the Russian D.P.'s and reading their numerous periodicals in the Russian language. The only way for Stalin to succeed in a war is to have the Asian peoples, the new converts to Communism to fight for him.

Knowing that those poor Chinese, Koreans and Mongolians might soon wake up and find out who are their real enemies, Stalin is in a hurry. So he arms large armies of Asians to fight democracies while the time is yet propitious for him. Therefore, now is the most dangerous time for us, and it will continue to be so until we gather enough strength to withstand Communist attacks and to offensively destroy them.

It is a folly to think that we can withstand a continued onslaught of 200 million Russians and 500 million Chinese and Koreans, under the absolute dictatorial control of Stalin and Mao; such a struggle would eventually bleed us white and bring on an atomic war and universal destruction. Therefore, we must concentrate much of our effort in helping the discontented 95% of the Russians and the Chinese to fight their own dictators and enslavers.

Regardless of armistice talks, the Communists are training and arming in China thousands of zealots from Indo-China, Malaya, Burma, Philippines, etc. They are even ready to send there the huge Chinese Communist armies of "volunteers", to be released from Korea, to conquer and enslave the whole of the Far East, Japan, and eventually Australasia, U.S.A., Canada. Therefore, we must consolidate all the anti-communist forces, not only in Europe but in the Far East as well.

The very presence of the Chinese Nationalist Army of 500,000 on Formosa has a sobering effect on the communists; it is also a good nucleus with which to start the counter-offensive of the Asian hundreds of millions of people against the communists already on the march there.

It is reasonably assumed by Admirals Badger and Cooke that with sufficient supplies of food and guns (even outmoded) the Nationalist Chinese with the help of anti-communist guerrillas can conquer South China up to Yangtze River, for Democracy, with our material help and supervision. That Southern part of China in our friends' hands would also safeguard Indo-China, Thailand, Malaya, Australia, New Zealand. At the same time rehabilitating the South Korean Republic, we would establish within a year or two a great chain of buffer states - Nationalist China, Korea, Thailand, Japan, Philippines, who have already passed through the crucible of Communist hell. They would form a real East Asian Pact force, with about 300 million people, not only to defend themselves but eventually to convert the rest of Asia to decency and democracy. Together with the U.S.A., Britain, France, Australia and New Zealand, who would supply that Asian anti-communist bloc chiefly with naval and air forces, we would have established in the East an impregnable barrier to aggression, and the communists there would have to call quits.

Stalin, after having been defeated or stopped in Asia, will not dare to start a war in Europe, where by that time the Atlantic Pact under General Eisenhower shall have gathered enough strength, moral and military. As for Soviet Russia itself, there are millions of Russians who would actively fight Stalin in Russia now if given help and encouragement. Thus, the communist terror and aggression would be fought and defeated primarily by the 500 million Chinese and 200 million Russians themselves, with the help from us and other nations, just as all other tyrannies in the past have been fought and defeated with outside help.

Sincerely yours,

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